any recommendations on payment of D.A. cash payment of leave, leave travel concessions etc. The orders for implemendation of the third interim report were issued by the Government in August, 1988.

Improved fodder production unit

556. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY pleased to state ;

(a) Whether his attention has been drawn to a report in the Indian Express of June 4, 1989 to the effect that John Brady managed to get a patent for the 'improved fodder production unit' on November 11, 1988 claiming to be its inventor, while a similar machine was invented, used and written off in 1959 ;

(b) whether two Indian firms, namely 'Process Equipment Private Limited' and 'KCM Consultants' were also producing similar machines ;

(c) Whether it is also a fact that Mr. Bhrady has been selling his wares imported from Spain for prices ranging between Rs. 6 lakh and 7 lakh each piece, while Indian industrialists claimed that they could sell similar machines for less than half that price; and

(d) If so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, the news report referred to in part (a) of the question has come to the notice of the Govt. According to the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Mark the patent in question has been granted according to law after following the prescribed procedures. The proceedings before the Controller under the patents Act, 1970 are statutory and quasi-Judicial.

(c) Information regarding selling price of machines as referred to in part (c) of the question is not maintained by the Government.

(d) Does not arise.

Annual rate of growth of employment and output for small scale and cottage industry sectors

557. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI ; will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state ;

(a) What are the annual rates of growth of employment and output for the small scale and cottage industry sectors envisaged in the Eighth Five Year Plan : and

(b) What was the actual annual ratio of growth of employment and output for small scale and cottage industry seotor in the Seventh Five Year Plan .

THE MINISTR OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY(SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Eighth Five Year Plan is yet to be formulated.

(b) Annual growth rate of employment and output during first four years of the Seventh Five Year Plan are estimated at 4.4% and 9.5% respectively.

Production of trucks, cars scooters and motor cycles

558. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI : will the Minister of Industry be pleased to rafer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2820 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th March, 1989 and state ;

(a) How many licences were issued for the manufacture of trucks, cars, scooters and motor cycles during the last three years, year-wise and vehicle-wise; and